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**CORRECTION: Corrects victim's age to 23, not 24.**

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## Long Beach Man Convicted of Killing CSUN Student For His Car

A Long Beach man was convicted today of fatally stabbing a Cal State Northridge student after responding to the student's Craigslist ad to sell his car, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

The jury of nine women and three men deliberated just 15 minutes before finding Agustin Rosendo Fernandez, 29, guilty of the first-degree murder of Abdullah Alkadi, 23. Jurors also found true the special circumstances of murder during a robbery and murder during a carjacking and a special allegation of personal use of a deadly weapon, a knife.

Deputy District Attorney Cynthia Barnes with the Major Crimes Division prosecuted the case.

Fernandez responded to Alkadi's online ad to sell his Audi A5 convertible and the two met in Northridge on Sept. 17, 2014. Barnes said Fernandez stabbed the engineering student to death that same day and disposed of his body near Palm Springs off the 10 Freeway. Alkadi's body was discovered about a month later.

The victim's car was later found parked at the defendant's apartment in the 6800 block of Long Beach Boulevard.

Fernandez is facing life in prison without the possibility of parole when he returns on Aug. 12 for sentencing in Department N of the San Fernando Branch of the Los Angeles County Superior Court.

Case PA082271 was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department's Robbery-Homicide Division.

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